

HOME, ITS PROBLEMS AND INTERESTS

FASHION NOTES.

Mushroom shapes are predominant among the new ideas for fall.

Torpedo toques are not so dangerous as their name implies, but they are really well named and are the newest thing in small hats.

Bordeaux shades are noticed among the imported hats.

Most of the new theater hats have a touch of tinsel. The foundation, the flowers or the ribbon, sometimes all three, are of silver tissue.

The new theater hat is small, but the question is whether the people behind it can see as well with a small hat on the person as they could when the large hat is removed, for the new hats are intended to be so small as not to obstruct the view.

Taffetas mousseline in black and white stripes will be worn during the early fall.

Silk and wool mixtures, a little heavier than collene and voile, are used for afternoon wear.

Oriental embroideries are found on suede and leather coats for motoring. Brown suede as a coat worn with a plaid tweed suit and brown shoes and hat will make an effective autumn toilet for country wear or motoring.

Short sack coats of astrakhan, trimmed with ermine, will be fashionable.

It is said that the charming house caps worn during the French Revolution are to be worn this winter.

A shepherd's plaid suit, with a three-quarter coat, is trimmed with a Greek key pattern in black silk braid. The skirt is laid in plaits over the hips and the coat is tight-fitting in the back and at the sides, but is loose in front, falling in plaited effect over the hips, and trimmed with the braid. The waistcoat is of white cloth is well covered with a design in black soutache braid.

One of the beautiful long motor veils is a useful thing for covering the face wrought in summer hats by sun and dust. Street hats are prone to shabbiness at this time of the year, but a delicate hued veil of silk mousseline gauze or chiffon, swathing the hat and with ends drawn forward over the shoulders or, in French fashion, falling down the back, will make the old hat last until the season is quite ended.

Buttons of carved ivory and of tortoise shell are particularly popular in Paris.

Trimmed pockets are features of some of the newest French coats of dressy character.

Many attractive striped designs are offered in the new waist flannels, the color scheme often including many shades, but blending them into inconspicuous harmony.

The manufacturers are pushing more vigorously, but the chances are that it will be chiefly used for trimming and in combination and only the elderly will favor whole frocks of this material.

Exquisite pointed chiffon cloths with garland borders and bands are made in six-inch width and will make charming evening gowns.

Radiate is the latest variation upon rayon silk.

Heavy cushion embroidery will be made upon winter frocks.

Black silk laces are acquiring unprecedented prestige.

Ease of Manner

It is a fact to be deplored that the modern woman has become so careless of her deportment. There has been a great deal of scorn pointed at the former use of the backboard and the strict rules for carriage laid down in the schools and enforced upon every scholar in years gone by. But with the last generation carefulness in the cultivation of graceful movements, an easy but erect carriage and a dignified but cordial method of greeting friends and acquaintances, to say nothing of the art of entering a room, has been shamefully neglected, except among the French, who rightly consider these small details as part of the education of their daughters.

The modern girl is apt to consider that her athletics are all the physical training she needs, and she quite fails to see the difference between gymnastics and deportment. She forgets that the great charm of the women of half a century ago or even less was their poise, their grace, their cultivated voices, their ease of manner, their graceful attitudes, and their knowledge of a few points of etiquette which the descendants are prone to ignore.

The modern girl is apt to imitate the mannish handclasp of her brothers, a habit which sometimes brings tears of anguish to the eyes of her whom she greets so cordially.

She gives a quiet nod to her friends and an offhand smile to her acquaintances which would give her great-grandmother a flush of shame to see. She has lost the graceful little bow and little inclination of the head which made her so charming. She goes, and, alas! she too often enters the drawing room with a quick, awkward gait, and, selecting a comfortable armchair, proceeds to cross one knee over the other and sometimes to clasp her hands back of her head.

The American girl is admired abroad for her chic, for her free movements and for her bright, vivacious manner, but these qualities are invariably tempered by the addition of a criticism upon her loud voice and her attitudes. She is either too lax in her carriage or too stilted erect.

These are faults which might easily be corrected in school days, and they should be taken in hand then. A girl who intends to enter into society or, indeed, to be a success in any walk of life, should cultivate ease—not to achieve a studied, artificial manner, which gives one away at once, but a quiet cordiality and a natural manner, which will stamp her at once as a "lady" in the truest sense of the word.

Timely Suggestions.

Pine cones make pretty picture frames and other novelties, and are nice clean things for children.

When finely chopped nuts are needed for salads, sandwiches, etc., run the nuts through the meat chopper. Have a pair of sharp scissors handy in the kitchen for trimming bacon and ham rinds, skinning fowls and trimming green vegetables for salads.

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Gown of soft finish taffeta silk, the skirt made with five spaced tucks around the bottom, with a box plait on either side of the front dividing the tucks. The waist was made with a little chemise of lace and tucking of mousseline, and the middle of the front was filled in by plaited frills of mousseline. The waist was shirred from the shoulders back and front and was trimmed with an oddly cut collar of net matching the gown material in color, covered with silk cords. These cords are made by using folded bias strips of silk, stitching as a casing, in which the narrow cord is run, the strips being stitched by machine and the cord attached to one end, when it was turned right side out. The cords were formed into scrolls and loops on the silk net, the sleeves being trimmed by a band of the same, and frills of plaited muslin.

Gold Embroideries

Girdles of silver or gold are much used this season, carrying out the color idea introduced in summer hats by sun and dust. Street hats are prone to shabbiness at this time of the year, but a delicate hued veil of silk mousseline gauze or chiffon, swathing the hat and with ends drawn forward over the shoulders or, in French fashion, falling down the back, will make the old hat last until the season is quite ended.

He Was a Poor Husband.

He regarded children as a nuisance. He did all his courting before marriage.

He never had time to go anywhere with his wife.

He doled out money to his wife as if to a servant.

He thought of his wife only as a cheap housekeeper.

He never took time to get acquainted with his family.

He never dreamed that a wife deserved praise or compliments.

He had one set of manners for home and another for society.

He thought his wife should spend all her time doing housework.

He married an ideal and was disappointed to find that it had flaws.

He paid no attention to his personal appearance after marriage.



PRACTICAL FALL SUIT.

Blue broadcloth, than which there is nothing more stylish, was used for a suit which shows trimness and cleverness. The plaited skirt is stitched down over the hips and finished at foot with a deep hem. Bands of black Soutache braid trim each side, and small loops of same are used in front and on cuffs and military collar.

With this is worn a chic hat of French blue felt, adorned with a rosette of plaid velvet and two black wings.

SOME OF THE LATEST FADS IN THE SHOPS ARE VERY SMART

Sweaters For Babies—Broad Figured Garters. Severe Neckwear.

Dainty new things shown in shops will delight smart women and young mothers who go shopping now, for there are so many unique and pretty dress and toilet accessories for both grown-ups and infants. Ribbon corsets are among the novelties this fall, and they are so beautifully made of rows and rows of wide satin that every member of the fair sex who has seen one immediately wants to possess such an article of dress, if only to use on special occasions. These corsets are exquisitely made, with each ribbon overlapping the one below, and held securely in place by hand-embroidered daisies, fleur-de-lis, a tiny bunch of lily of the valley, or a rosette. At the top there is an edging of narrow baby ribbon, full of fun, or a piece of sheer Valenciennes or Cluny lace gathered to make a fitting finish. In white ribbon these corsets are delicate enough for a bride, but for practical use the ones made of gray, light tan, or even a delicate shade of light blue or dainty pink will be most serviceable.

Broad Figured Garters New.

Figured silk garters will be worn by fashionable women. Not like the narrow, plain ones that were formerly used for hard wear, but artistic kinds made of pretty colored silks gathered and smoked so that they are decidedly decorative. Instead of being about an inch wide, as the styles of a year ago, these new ones are at least three inches in width, with an edging of narrow baby ribbon or of Valenciennes lace, in black with yellow rosebuds, or in white with purple orchids these silk garters are stunning when gathered, pleated, or smoked in the latest fashion.

Severe Neckwear the Thing.

To be in keeping with the tailored waists to be worn this coming season, the neckwear on display is more severe than it has been for several years, and the modish collars are patterned like the men's except that they are prettily decorated with hand-embroidered scroll designs, or dainty floral devices, either natural or conventional. In sheer linen these collars—turnovers about an inch and a quarter high—are attractive and will be exceedingly becoming to women with long thin necks, as they are to be worn close to the throat. With these collars a tie of some description is essential for a finish, and as lingerie bowknots or short four-in-hands are most convenient to the they will be used exclusively. If daintily made of hand woven lace, or a combination of handkerchief linen and sheer Valenciennes, these bowknots or the larger ties are effective when properly arranged on the collar.

Effective New Shirt Waist Scarfs.

Scarfs of all kinds will be much affected, both with plain and dress shirt waists, and the gray silk ones that have just been imported from France are bound to be favorites with young women who go in for motoring, golfing, etc., for they are in vivid combinations of purples, and light greens with a touch of yellow or red, or two-toned blues with a dash of pink that are startling, yet entirely harmonious, and will look fetching worn under a broad white turnover collar with a white, plain tailored shirt waist.

Kid Gloves Have Silk Linings.

Even the long white evening gloves in glace kid have been improved on for

fall and winter wear, for they have a silk lining in delicate colors that will make them warmer and more comfortable to get on when the weather is sharp and cold. The linings are in such pretty shades, too, that they will not jar with the frocks the average woman selects, and may even match if a little care is taken in selecting them.

Sweaters the Latest for Babies.

Sweaters for babies are the newest thing that young mothers can buy for the fall wear of their little ones. These garments, made on the same lines as those worn by grown-ups, will be most serviceable for use before it is time to put on heavy winter wraps. The sweaters are made with simple stitches in white wool, with a narrow border of pink or blue around the cuffs and neck, or in light blue or delicate pink with white borders. Some are made vest-like, cut quite low at the neck with the edges bound with silk, while others have the regulation turtle neck such as athletes wear. These go on over the head, and as they fit tight to the body need no button fastenings.

Beribboned Frocks for Little Ones.

In strong contrast to these outdoor garments are the beribboned frocks that little ones will wear indoors this fall. These dresses, made of eyelid embroidery, are decidedly elaborate, being trimmed with wide satin ribbon in blue, pink or white. On either side of the waist in front and back there are two broad pieces of ribbon extending from the neck to the waist, these join a ribbon that matches and ties in front and back with bows having four or five loops.

Opening the Town House.

Upon returning to a house which has been closed all summer a host of small repairs must generally be attended to. Some of them do not immediately become noticeable, and then just as the family become comfortably settled for the winter a pipe leaks, the gas meter needs attention or the roof shows need of repairs; so workmen must be summoned and upset conditions ensue for an indefinite period.

It is advisable to have the house thoroughly examined before actually returning to it. The drainage particularly should be well looked into. Pipes that have not been used all summer are unhealthy unless well cleared.

The faucets should be allowed to run for several hours to draw out impurities caused by stagnant water in the pipes and the windows and doors should be thrown open for a day to let in plenty of sunshine to dry up any accumulated dampness. The wardrobes and wall closets should also be well aired before clothes are hung in them.

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When baldness first makes its appearance the scalp is usually tight. The application of goose oil will loosen it and furnish food for the tissues of the skin.

A veil should not be worn more than a week without cleaning. The particles of dust which accumulate on a veil in a week's time are ruinous to the complexion.

Persons predisposed toward erysipelas should avoid wines, strong tea, and coffee and highly spiced or seasoned foods. The more laxative and cooling the diet the better.

Children with a tendency to scrofula and consumption need an abundance of fresh outdoor air. Making tomboys of them is favorable to securing needed physical development.

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